

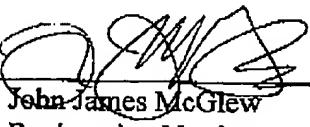
REMARKS

Claims 1 - 8, 11 - 17, and 23 - 25 are in this Application and are presented for reconsideration. By this Amendment, Applicant has amended claims 1, 8, and 11 - 14, and canceled claim 10.

Applicant thanks the Examiner for discussing this case in an interview held on January 21, 2005 and for providing suggestions which has prompted the present amendment. In essence, Applicant has included a combination of features present in the allowed claim 16 into the independent claims 1 and 8 and made the dependent claims 11 - 14 depend on the allowed claim 16 instead of claim 10. Applicant has also canceled claim 10 as suggested by the Examiner.

It is Applicant's position that all claims are now allowable. Should the Examiner determine that issues remain that have not been resolved by this response, the Examiner is requested to contact Applicant's representative at the number listed below.

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